

tive Agency that will work aggressively to increase American investment overseas while protecting jobs at home," the President said.

NOTE: A biography of the nominee was made available by the Office of the Press Secretary.

Nomination of Edward Warner and Charles Freeman To Be Assistant Secretaries of Defense

March 30, 1993

The President announced his intention today to nominate Edward Warner to be Assistant Secretary of Defense for Strategy and Resources and Charles Freeman to be Assistant Secretary of Defense for Regional Security.

"Ted Warner and Charles Freeman are two of the most outstanding people working on defense issues today," said the President. "I am extremely pleased that they are joining Secretary Aspin at the Pentagon."

NOTE: Biographies of the nominees were made available by the Office of the Press Secretary.

Exchange With Reporters Prior to a Meeting With the Cabinet

March 31, 1993

Budget Resolution and Stimulus Package

Q. Mr. President, are you going to get a \$1 billion package for the Russians in aid?

The President. I'll have more to say about that tomorrow in Annapolis. I'm going out there to speak.

Let me say in front of the whole Cabinet here, it was just 6 weeks ago that I presented my plan to the United States Congress. They are on the verge of adopting the budget resolution, which will drastically reduce the Federal deficit. The Senate, I believe, is on the verge of passing the jobs program to put a half-million jobs into this economy. Things are going well. We are moving with remarkable speed.

I do want to make one point, which was obscured a little in the news stories today. I say that not out of criticism, but on the

issue of the drop in consumer confidence, the Wall Street Journal had a very detailed article which showed that the principal reason for it is the continuing worry of the American people that this economy is not producing jobs. And consumers without jobs don't have confidence because they don't have money with which to consume. So it is very important that this week, before the Congress goes home, that we pass the budget resolution to reduce the deficit and the jobs program to create jobs. If we can do that, this will be an historic 6 weeks in which we are moving at a very rapid pace.

Q. Do you think, Mr. President, that the Republicans will seek to filibuster against the stimulus package? And if they do, what's your strategy?

The President. Well, we're going to try to win. I don't think so. I believe some of the Republicans support this. As a matter of fact, I think a lot of them support it. Some of them may never vote for it because of partisan divisions. But I think they know that the American people will be very disappointed to find out that a half a million jobs went by the wayside because 41—not even a majority, but 41 Senators stopped a vote from occurring. I don't think that's going to happen. I would be very surprised.

NOTE: The exchange began at 10:12 a.m. in the Cabinet Room at the White House. A tape was not available for verification of the content of this exchange.

Memorandum on Certification of Major Narcotics Producing and Transit Countries

March 31, 1993

Presidential Determination No. 93-18

Memorandum for the Secretary of State

Subject: Certification for Major Narcotics Producing and Transit Countries

By virtue of the authority vested in me by section 490(b)(1)(B) of the Foreign Assist-

ance Act of 1961, as amended ("the Act"), I hereby determine and certify that the following major narcotics producing and/or major narcotics transit countries/dependent territories have cooperated fully with the United States, or taken adequate steps on their own, to achieve full compliance with the goals and objectives of the 1988 United Nations Convention Against Illicit Traffic in Narcotic Drugs and Psychotropic Substances:

The Bahamas, Belize, Bolivia, Brazil, China, Colombia, Ecuador, Guatemala, Hong Kong, India, Jamaica, Laos, Malaysia, Mexico, Morocco, Nigeria, Pakistan, Panama, Paraguay, Peru, Thailand, and Venezuela.

By virtue of the authority vested in me by section 490(b)(1)(B) of the Act, I hereby determine that it is in the vital national interests of the United States to certify the following countries:

Afghanistan and Lebanon.

Information on these countries as required under section 490(b)(3) of the Act is enclosed.

I have determined that the following major producing and/or major transit countries do not meet the standards set forth in section 490(b)(1)(A):

Burma, Iran, and Syria.

In making these determinations, I have considered the factors set forth in section 490 of the Act, based on the information contained in the International Narcotics Control Strategy Report of 1993. Because the performance of these countries varies, I have attached an explanatory statement in each case.

You are hereby authorized and directed to report this determination to the Congress immediately and to publish it in the *Federal Register*.

William J. Clinton

Announcement of Nomination for Four Sub-Cabinet Posts at the Department of Defense

March 31, 1993

The President will nominate Dr. Anita Jones to be Director of Defense Research and Engineering and Graham Allison, Edwin

Dorn, and Morton Halperin to be Assistant Secretaries of Defense for Plans and Policy, Personnel and Readiness, and Democracy and Human Rights respectively, the White House announced today.

"At this time of change and uncertainty, it is imperative that we have a topflight team at the Pentagon," said the President. "These four people have what it takes to keep the Defense Department moving forward."

NOTE: Biographies of the nominees were made available by the Office of the Press Secretary.

Exchange With Reporters Prior to a Meeting With Congressional Leaders

April 1, 1993

Q. Mr. President, is your stimulus package in trouble? That's what we hear.

The President. Well, we just passed the budget, but I'm celebrating that right now. I think we can pass it. We'll keep working on it. We have to have 60 votes to pass it, but we'll keep working on it.

We're here talking about Russia today.

NOTE: The exchange began at 10:30 a.m. in the Cabinet Room at the White House. A tape was not available for verification of the content of this exchange.

Remarks to Midshipmen at the United States Naval Academy in Annapolis, Maryland

April 1, 1993

Thank you very much, Admiral Lynch, men and women of the brigade. I'm delighted to be here. They say there's no such thing as a free lunch, but I thought as President I'd come here and test the theory. In a few moments I am going to deliver a speech, as Admiral Lynch has already said, to the newspaper editors of our country about our Nation's purposes in the world and specifically about what we should be doing now to promote democracy in Russia and in